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Behavior Management for Real Classrooms

Teachers can work smarter, not harder, to put together a well-behaved classroom. This workshop is designed for general- and special-educators, support staff, and administrators in grades 3-12 who seek an introduction or refresher on classroom behavior management practices that actually work.

Participants will learn how to:

- quickly define behavior problems and link them to underlying causes or 'drivers'.
- head off problem behaviors by identifying and eliminating common triggers.
- use selected communication tools to 'nudge' student behaviors in the desired direction.
- manage non-compliance and defiance using positive behavioral interventions that promote student engagement and responsibility.
- evaluate whether a student's lack of participation in classwork is primarily due to a skill- or motivation-deficit.
- measure improvements in student behaviors using simple tools such as Behavior Report Cards and Behavioral Checklists (available using free online tools).

As a key feature of this workshop, participants will receive both a Classroom Behavior Management Best-Practices Checklist and a matching collection of intervention ideas to allow them to find and fix behavior issues.